नागपुर और कलकत्ता के बीच माल गाड़ियों / यात्री गाड़ियों का पटरी से उतरना

660. **श्री लक्खीराम अग्रवाल:** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) पिछले छः महीनों में नागपुर और कलकत्ता के बीच कितनी बार माल गाड़ियां/यात्री गाड़ियां पटरी से उतरी, और

(ख) इन गाड़ियों के पटरी से उतरने के कारण जन-धन का कितना नुकसान हुआ?

रेल मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री अजय सिंह): (क) और (ख) 1.2.1990 से 31.7.1990 की अवधि के दौरान नागपुर-हावड़ा खंड पर एक यात्री गाड़ी सहित पटरी से उतरने की 14 घटनाएं हुयीं थीं। इन दुर्घटनाओं में किसी भी व्यक्ति की मृत्यु नहीं हुई। रेल सम्पत्ति का 15.65 लाख रुपये की क्षति होने का अनुमान, लगाया गया है।

Review of Sugar Policy

661. SHRI SURESH; PACHOURI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have reviewed the sugar policy more than thrice within the last two months;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore;

(c) whether the revision of the sugar policy has neither satisfied the growers nor the big sugar industries;

(d) if so, what are the main proposals to help sugar production in the country; and

(e) to what extent sugar production has achieved the target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL): (a) to (c) Policy guidelines for licensing of new and expansion of existing sugar factories during the 8th Five Year Plan period have been announced by the Central Government through the Ministry of Industry's Press Note No. 104133)/86/ LP dated 23rd July, 1990. Though some comments are available, reactions of all section^ of cane growers and sugar industry regarding this policy are still awaited.

(d) The main features of these policy guidelines are given in the aforesaid Press Note, a copy of which is at Annexure. All these features have been incorporated with a veiw to maximise sugar production. *(See below)*

(e) As on 22nd July, 1990 sugar production of 108.46 lakh tonnes has been reported. Estimates of production during the remaining part of the season indicate that the total sugar production during the current season may exceed 109 lakh tonnes, as against 87.52 lakh tonnes achieved during the last sugar season 1988-89.

Annexure

Guidelines for licensing of new and expansion of existing sugar factories, during the Eighth Five Year Plan.

In supersession of the guidelines for licensing of sugar factories as contained in this Ministry's Press Note No. 1 (1987 series) dated 2nd January, 1987, Press Note No. 2 (1987 series) dated 9th February, 1987, Press Note No. 12 (1989 series) dated 11th May, 1989 and Press Note No. 27 (1989 series) dated 19th October, 1989, the following guidelines have been formulated for licensing of new and expansion of existing sugar factories:—

(i) New sugar factories will continue to be licensed ,or a miniumum economic capacity of 2500 Tonnes cane crush per day (TCD). There would not be any maximum limit on such capacity. No relaxation of minimum economic capacity for backward areas or in the areas under-developed from the point of view of sugarcane availability will be permitted.

(ii) Licences for new sugar factories will be issued subject to the condition that there is